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### KANSAS CITY, KANSAS, MAN SENTENCED FOR CAR JACKING

KANSAS CITY, Kan. – United States Attorney Eric Melgren announced that **Paul H. Robinson, 52, Kansas City, Kansas, was sentenced on April 5, 2004, by U.S. District Judge Kathryn H. Vratil to fourteen years and seven months in federal prison, without parole, to be followed by three years of supervised release.**

Melgren said that Robinson entered a guilty plea on January 7, 2004, to one count of car jacking.

Melgren stated that Robinson admitted at his plea that on August 5, 2003, he approached a graduate student at the University of Kansas Medical School in Kansas City carrying a knife and forced the student into her car. Robinson further admitted that he demanded the student's car keys and, with the student in the car, drove from Kansas into Missouri. Robinson also admitted that the student escaped by unlocking the passenger door and stepping out of the moving car. The student received minor injuries during the escape.

Melgren commended the excellent work of the FBI in this investigation and Assistant U.S. Attorney Robert Streepy in this prosecution.